

MINUTES OF THE
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2006
(Approved November 6, 2006)

The Board of Supervisors held a Special Meeting on Monday, October 9, 2006. Present for the meeting were supervisors Robert F. Preston, Atlee Rinehart, Jay Doering, Tim Roland and Rosemarie Miller. Also in attendance were Planning Commission Vice Chairman Walt Woessner, Planning Commission and Township Planner Wayne Grafton. Mr. Preston called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Richard Shantz of 1845 Old Schuylkill Road, Spring City requested a zoning map change along 724. He owns or has an interest in two properties: 2438 New Schuylkill Road (Route 724) and 11 Franklin Drive. Mr. Shantz does not own 11 Franklin Drive.

Mr. Shantz was told to write a letter and make request and the matter will be considered during the next several months.

Mr. Shantz lives at 1845 Old Schuylkill Road and supplied a copy of testimony from Zoning Hearing Board discussion stating that the property is not suitable for residential.

Annique Brown, (800 Kimberton Road, Apartment E-15, Phoenixville) inquired if signs were discussed. Answer was that they would be discussed at the next meeting but not this evening.

Ms. Gail Brown reported that the Historic Commission would be doing an inventory on Thursday. The car will have a sign noting such and use flashing lights. Inquiry made relative to reimbursement for expenses (primarily mileage) for a three or four day period. Board approved the activity and expense. The Commission would also like a locking file cabinet. Board said put the request in next year's budget request. Discussion ensued. It was also reported that Historic Resource Class begins on Monday October 16. Mr. Rinehart may have an interest in attending.

Mr. Preston reminded Ms. Brown that on November 13, Article 12 is scheduled for review. Perhaps Historic Commission may want to offer input. Comments should be in seven days ahead of meeting.

Mr. Michael Coine reported that the new County trail was surveyed through East Coventry. The Board was unaware of this trail and requested information. The Township Manager should contact Chester County Parks and Recreation to schedule a meeting.

Mr. Grafton requested that the marked-up Sign Ordinance by the Planning Commission be e-mailed to him.

2. ZONING ORDINANCE DISCUSSION

There was a discussion of Articles XVII, XVIII, XIX with changes noted and discussed.

Advise Township Manager of concerns:

- 1) Need meeting with zoning officer – outstanding enforcement issues.
- 2) Need to adjust fees for Appeals from Zoning Officer decisions to \$1,000.00.
- 3) Prepare Standard Operating Procedures Format – 5 to 15 day notice for correction of issues.

Article XIX – Ms. Brown noted no response to a written request regarding non-conformity of two ponies on her property. Ms. Brown's property was in compliance when she purchased it and she requested a written statement providing guidance for how to keep the property in compliance.

Committee needs to revisit how many four-legged animals are permitted on a given property.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Miller
Township Secretary